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SUBJECT: DRAFT PROVISIONAL AGENDA FOR THIRD SESSION OF THE  
WORLD FOOD COUNCIL

REF: ROME 20640

1. USG BELIEVES DRAFT PROVISIONAL AGENDA REPORTED REFTEL  
CORRESPONDS WITH RECOMMENDATIONS OF WFC SECOND SESSION AND  
FORMS AN APPROPRIATE STARTING POINT FOR CONSIDERATION BY  
THE PREPARATORY MEETING. HOWEVER, WE BELIEVE THAT  
FAVORABLE OUTCOME OF SESSION IS HEAVILY DEPENDENT ON  
SUSTAINING SECRETARIAT'S DECLARED INTENTION TO MAKE AGENDA  
ITEM 5 ITS MAJOR FOCAL POINT. MINISTERIAL SESSION WILL BE  
MORE PRODUCTIVE IF SPECIFIC AGREEMENT CAN BE REACHED ON A  
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FEW ISSUES THAN IF GENERAL STATEMENTS ARE MADE ABOUT MANY.  
TO MAKE THIS INTENTION EVEN CLEARER, WE WOULD RECOMMEND  
THE FOLLOWING WITH RESPECT TO ITEM 4:

(A) THAT SECRETARIAT DOCUMENTATION ON ITEM 4C BE CONFINED  
TO REPORTING ON THE STATUS OF INTERNATIONAL DELIBERATIONS  
ON THE FOUR ISSUES MENTIONED:

(B) THAT THE SECRETARIAT MAKE CLEAR THAT MINISTERIAL  
SESSION DECISION ON ITEM 4C WILL NOT BE NECESSARY AND THAT

ITEMS ARISING OUT OF THIS SECTION FOR CONSIDERATION UNDER  
ITEM 5D BE RESTRICTED TO THREE OR FOUR VERY SPECIFIC  
STATEMENTS, AT MOST;

(C) TO EMPHASIZE THE ESSENTIALLY INFORMATIONAL NATURE  
OF ITEM 4, WE SUGGEST DROPPING THE WORDS "ASSESSMENT OF"  
FROM THE HEADING AND SIMILARLY, "PROGRESS ON" FROM THE  
DESCRIPTION OF 4C.

2. THE ISSUES OUTLINED IN ITEM 5, PARTICULARLY THOSE  
PERTAINING TO NUTRITION, HAVE RECEIVED RELATIVELY LESS  
INTERNATIONAL ATTENTION THAN THOSE IN 4 AND MAY OFFER  
FRUITFUL GROUND FOR CONSTRUCTIVE HIGH-LEVEL CONSIDERATION.  
OUR ONLY OBSERVATIONS AT THIS POINT ARE THAT: (A) ITEM 5A  
SHOULD FOCUS PRIMARILY ON THE DECLARATION ON THE ERADI-  
CATION OF HUNGER AND MALNUTRITION AND ONLY PERIPHERALLY  
ON RESOLUTIONS I AND II, WHICH DEAL WITH A GREAT NUMBER OF  
LESS COGENTLY RELATED ISSUES, AND; (B) DISCUSSION OF  
ITEM 5C SHOULD BE LIMITED TO FOOD TRADE AS IT RELATES TO  
INTERNATIONAL FOOD PROBLEMS, AS OTHER ASPECTS OF TRADE  
PROBLEMS ARE BEING ADDRESSED ELSEWHERE.

3. MISSION SHOULD BRING ABOVE VIEWS TO THE ATTENTION OF

WFC SECRETARIAT IN THE NEAR FUTURE OF DISCUSSIONS ON  
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